



## Star-Quality Child Care Program Report Card For Child Care Centers

Facility Name:

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OVERALL RATING

of Human Services	Accredited by:					
DIRECTOR QUALIFICATIONS	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT Qualifications of Teaching Staff* Paid staff that work with children and are used to meet adult-child ratios	COMPLIANCE HISTORY	PARENT/FAMILY INVOLVEMENT	RATIO AND GROUP SIZE	STAFF COMPENSATION	PROGRAM ASSESSMENT
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□ 20 hours of training annually, including the minimum training hours required to meet existing Department licensing requirements.      □ 1 of the following:      □ High school diploma or its equivalent with Child Development Associate credential or equivalent and 7 years of experience administering an early care and/or education program; or      □ Associates Degree in a relevant area (including early childhood education, child development, education, liberal arts, business administration, human ecology and/or consumer sciences) and 4 years experience administering an early care and/or education program; or      □ Bachelor's Degree or higher in a relevant area (including early childhood education, child development, education, liberal arts, business administration, human ecology and/or consumer sciences) and 2 years experience administering an early care and/or education program.	All paid staff that work with children and are used to meet adult:child ratios have high school diploma or its equivalent.  Agency has a written plan for transitioning children affected by teaching staff turnover.  All teaching staff receive at least 6 hours of annual training in addition to the training required by Department licensing regulations.  50% of teaching staff have 1 of the following:  - 4 years experience in an early care and/or education program and documented enrollment in TECTA Orientation, a Tennessee Technology Center, or equivalent training as recognized by the Department; or  - 3 years experience in an early care and/or education program and a Child Development Associate credential or equivalent; or  - 2 years experience in an early care and/or education program and a Child Development Associate credential or equivalent; or  - 1 year experience in an early care care and/or education program and Associate's Degree in a relevant field; or  - Bachelor's Degree or higher in a relevant field.	During the previous licensing year, the agency shall not have been placed on probation, or had all or any part of its license suspended, or received a major civil penalty, or received more than 3 minor civil penalties.	Provides a bulletin board for communications/announcements to parents.  Offers 1 group parent meeting per licensing year to all families receiving service.  Offers 1 parent/teacher conference per year for each child receiving service.  Provides a monthly newsletter designed for parents.  Offers 1 parent educational workshop per licensing year for all families receiving service.  Maintains a Parent Advisory Council which meets at least 2 times per year.	Age A:C Ratio Group Size  Infant 1:4 8  Toddler 1:4 12  2 yrs. 1:5 10  3 yrs. 1:8 16  4 yrs. 1:13 20  5 yrs. (not in 1:15 20     kindergarten)  K-8 yrs. 1:17 25  9-12 yrs. 1:19 25  *ADULT:CHILD RATIOS IN MULTI-AGE GROUPING  The adult:child ratio in a multi-age grouping shall be determined by the age of the majority of the children in the group unless the group contains an infant, in which case the adult: child ratio for infants shall always be maintained. If the ages of the children are evenly divided and thus there is no majority age, the adult:child ratio fro the group shall be set by the adult:child ratio required in a single age grouping of the youngest child in the group.	Provides an employee pay scale for all staff.  Provides a pay scale for teaching staff that is related to the employee's education, training, and experience in child care/education.  Provides at least 4 of the following employee benefits listed below:  Payment of individual professional membership or association fees; Insurance supplement; Paid leave (e.g. sick, vacation, holiday, personal, family, bereavement); Reduced fee to staff for child care services; Money or Cash Equivalent bonuses (e.g. Gift Cards); Insurance (e.g. health, life, accident, disability, dental, vision); Tuition for academic education; Paid participation in staff development/training (within federal & state labor and work laws); Retirement fund (e.g. 401k); Flextime (within federal & state labor and work laws); Differential shift pay.	Selected rooms or groups in this child care center were assessed by trained observers using a scale that indicates the level of quality in the room or group as being either "Inadequate," "Minimal," "Average," "Good" or "Excellent." Based on the results of this assesment, the indicated level of quality observed in this child care center was at least GOOD or higher as compared to national findings.  Following the initial agency assessment, has developed an improvement plan based upon the agency's Assessment Results.
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High school diploma or its equivalent.  30 hours of pre-service orientation training, including age specific training, inclusion of children with special needs and business/management administration.  8 years of experience in early care and/or education, with 4 years experience administering an early care and/or education program.	□ All paid staff that work with children and are used to meet adult:child ratios have high school diploma or its equivalent. □ 25% of teaching staff have 1 of the following: □ 3 years of experience in early care and/or education and 30 hours of training through TECTA Orientation, a Tennessee Technology Center, or, as recognized by the Department, equivalent training on a standardized curriculum specific to age group/setting which includes working with children with special needs, or documented enrollment therein; or □ Instructor documentation of enrollment in a Child Development Associate program. □ All teaching staff receive annually a minimum of 3 hours training in excess of the training hours required by Department regulations.	During the previous licensing year, the agency shall not have been placed on probation, or had all or any part of its license suspended, or received a major civil penalty, or received more than 4 minor civil penalties.	Provides a bulletin board for communications/announcements to parents.  Offers 1 group parent meeting per licensing year to all families receiving service.  Provides a quarterly newsletter designed for parents.  Offers 1 parent/teacher conference per year for each child receiving service.	Age A:C Ratio Group Size  Infant 1:4 8  Toddler 1:5 10  2 yrs. 1:6 12  3 yrs. 1:9 18  4 yrs. 1:15 20  5 yrs. (not in 1:19 20 kindergarten)  K-8 yrs. 1:18 25  9-12 yrs. 1:20 25  *ADULT:CHILD RATIOS IN MULTI-AGE GROUPING  The adult:child ratio in a multi-age grouping shall be determined by the age of the majority of the children in the group unless the group contains an infant, in which case the adult: child ratio for infants shall always be maintained. If the ages of the children are evenly divided and thus there is no majority age, the adult:child ratio for the group shall be set by the adult:child ratio required in a single age grouping of the youngest child in the group.	Provides an employee pay scale for teaching staff.  Provides at least 3 of the following employee benefits listed below:  Payment of individual professional membership or association fees; Insurance supplement; Paid leave (e.g. sick, vacation, holiday, personal, family, bereavement); Reduced fee to staff for child care services; Money or Cash Equivalent bonuses (e.g. Gift Cards); Insurance (e.g. health, life, accident, disability, dental, vision); Tuition for academic education; Paid participation in staff development/ training (within federal & state labor and work laws); Retirement fund (e.g. 401k); Flextime (within federal & state labor and work laws); Differential shift pay.	Selected rooms or groups in this child care center were assessed by trained observers using a scale that indicates the level of quality in the room or group as being either "Inadequate," "Minimal," "Average," "Good" or "Excellent," Based on the results of this assessment, the indicated level of quality observed in this child care center was between AVERAGE and GOOD as compared to national findings.  Following the initial agency assessment, has developed an improvement plan based upon the agency's Assessment Results.
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High school diploma or its equivalent.  30 hours of pre-service orientation training, including age specific training, inclusion of children with special needs and business/management administration.  5 years of experience in early care and/or education, with 4 years experience administering an early care and/or education program.	All paid staff that work with children and are used to meet adult:child ratios have high school diploma or its equivalent.  10% of teaching staff have 30 hours of training through TECTA Orientation, a Tennessee Technology Center. or, as recognized by the Department, equivalent training on a standardized curriculum specific to age group/setting which includes working with children with special needs.  All teaching staff receive annually a minimum of 3 hours training in excess of the training hours required by Department regulations.	During the previous licensing year, the agency shall not have been placed on probation, or had all or any part of its license suspended, or received a major civil penalty, or received more than 5 minor civil penalties.	Provides a bulletin board for communications/announcements to parents.  Offers 1 group parent meeting per licensing year to all families receiving service.	Age A:C Ratio Group Size  Infant 1:4 8  Toddler 1:6 12  2 yrs. 1:7 14  3 yrs. 1:9 19  4 yrs. 1:15 20  5 yrs. (not in 1:20 20 kindergarten)  K & Above 1:25 25  *ADULT:CHILD RATIOS IN MULTI-AGE GROUPING  The adult:child ratio in a multi-age grouping shall be determined by the age of the majority of the children in the group unless the group contains an infant, in which case the adult: child ratio for infants shall always be maintained. If the ages of the children are evenly divided and thus there is no majority age, the adult:child ratio for the group shall be set by the adult:child ratio frequired in a single age grouping of the youngest child in the group.	Provides an employee pay scale for teaching staff.  Provides at least 2 of the following employee benefits listed below:  Payment of individual professional membership or association fees; Insurance supplement; Paid leave (e.g. sick, vacation, holiday, personal, family, bereavement); Reduced fee to staff for child care services; Money or Cash Equivalent bonuses (e.g. Gift Cards); Insurance (e.g. health, life, accident, disability, dental, vision); Tuition for academic education; Paid participation in staff development/ training (within federal & state labor and work laws); Retirement fund (e.g. 401k); Flextime (within federal & state labor and work laws); Differential shift pay.	Selected rooms or groups in this child care center were assessed by trained observers using a scale that indicates the level of quality in the room or group as being either "Inadequate," "Minimal," "Average," "Good" or "Excellent." Based on the results of this assessment, the indicated level of quality observed in this child care center was AVERAGE as compared to national findings.  Following the initial agency assessment, has developed an improvement plan based upon the agency's Assessment Results.
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High school diploma and 4 years full-time work experience with young children.  4 hours of pre-employment training.  30 hours TECTA (Tennessee Early Childhood Training Alliance) or comparable training, or 4 years of college and one year full-time work experience with young children; or 2 years of college with at least 30 hours in business or management, child or youth development, early childhood education or related field, and 2 years full-time work experience with young children; or was employed as an on-site director or child care agency owner as of July 1, 2000.	First year: Completion of 18 hours of in-service training including 2 hours of pre-service training within the first 30 days, an additional 6 hours within the first 6 months, and the remaining 10 hours before the end of the first year.  After first year: Completion of 12 hours of training annually.  RELEVANT FIELD  A degree in early childhood education, child development, education, liberal arts, business administration, human ecology and/or consumer sciences, or a degree in any field with a minimum of 6 semester hours in any of the fields listed herein.	Agency is currently licensed.	Provides written policies and procedures at time of admission.  Requires preenrollment visit by parent or designee.  Maintains a plan for regular and ongoing communication with parents concerning curriculum, changes in personnel, planned changes affecting children's routine care.  Conducts an awareness program for parents once a year that includes a child abuse prevention component, with information on the detection, reporting, and prevention of child abuse in centers and in the home.	Required ratios and group sizes (Single Age Grouping):  Age A:C Ratio Group Size  Infant 1:4 8  Toddler 1:7 14 2 yrs. 1:8 16 3 yrs. 1:10 20 4 yrs. 1:15 20 5 yrs. (not in 1:20 20 kindergarten)  K & Above 1:25 25	□ No minimum licensing standard.	□ No minimum licensing standard.

